

Save the Dates!  
APRIL 13-14, 2016

## 19th Annual Crime Victims' Rights Conference

We are pleased to announce  
**Steve Siegel and Nancy Lewis**  
as general session speakers on



### **"Responding to Mass Tragedy: Lessons Learned"**

When a mass tragedy occurs, how will your community respond? Is your community ready when tragedy strikes? Steve and Nancy draw from their experiences responding to victims of mass tragedies—9/11, Columbine High School, Aurora Theater, Boston Marathon bombing, and others—to share strategies for a community response.



When mass tragedy occurs multiple needs arise, including: where your agency "plugs into" the Incident Command Structure; connecting with the victims; paying for the immediate needs of victims: travel - cars - hotels - keys - backpacks; development of trained, experienced crisis responders; consideration for victims if the perpetrator is prosecuted or if the perpetrator is killed as a result of the crime; managing donations - a thousand teddy bears - thousands of dollars, and the role of anger, politics, and healing.

Steve has spent the past 33 years with the Denver, Colorado District Attorney's Office where he currently serves as Director of the Special Programs Unit. He has been a catalyst for the development of interagency protocols that have been replicated nationwide on Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Child Abuse, and Victimization of the Elderly and Disabled. Steve has served on numerous state and national boards and initiatives including: a crisis team leader in the response to the Columbine High School tragedy; a senior advisor to the U.S. Department of Justice and Massachusetts Office for Victim Assistance in response to the Boston Marathon Bombing; U.S. Department of Justice, Office for Victims of Crime National Consortium Board; and co-chair of the committee that led to the passage of the Colorado Constitutional Amendment for Crime Victims' Rights. Steve is the recipient of the National Crime Victim Services Award by the United States Attorney General, as well as numerous other honors. Nancy graduated from Edinboro State College with a BS in Secondary Education. After graduation, she worked in New York City as a social worker and a teacher. Nancy volunteered at the Revitalization Corp to work toward harmony in race relations. Leaving the city, Nancy traveled around the world where she met her husband, Jim. Settling in Colorado, Nancy directed an alternative high school, an adult women's program and was the training director of an international franchise company. In 1986, Jim and Nancy adopted three children. In 1994 Nancy became the Executive Director of the Colorado Organization for Victim Assistance and volunteered as an advocate for the Boulder County Sheriff's Office. In her work as an advocate, Nancy has had the honor to work with crime victims during the Oklahoma City bombing trial, the Columbine School shooting, 9-11, the Katrina Victims in Colorado, and the Aurora Theater and Colorado Springs shootings.



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Topeka, Kansas

Conference website and registration information coming soon!